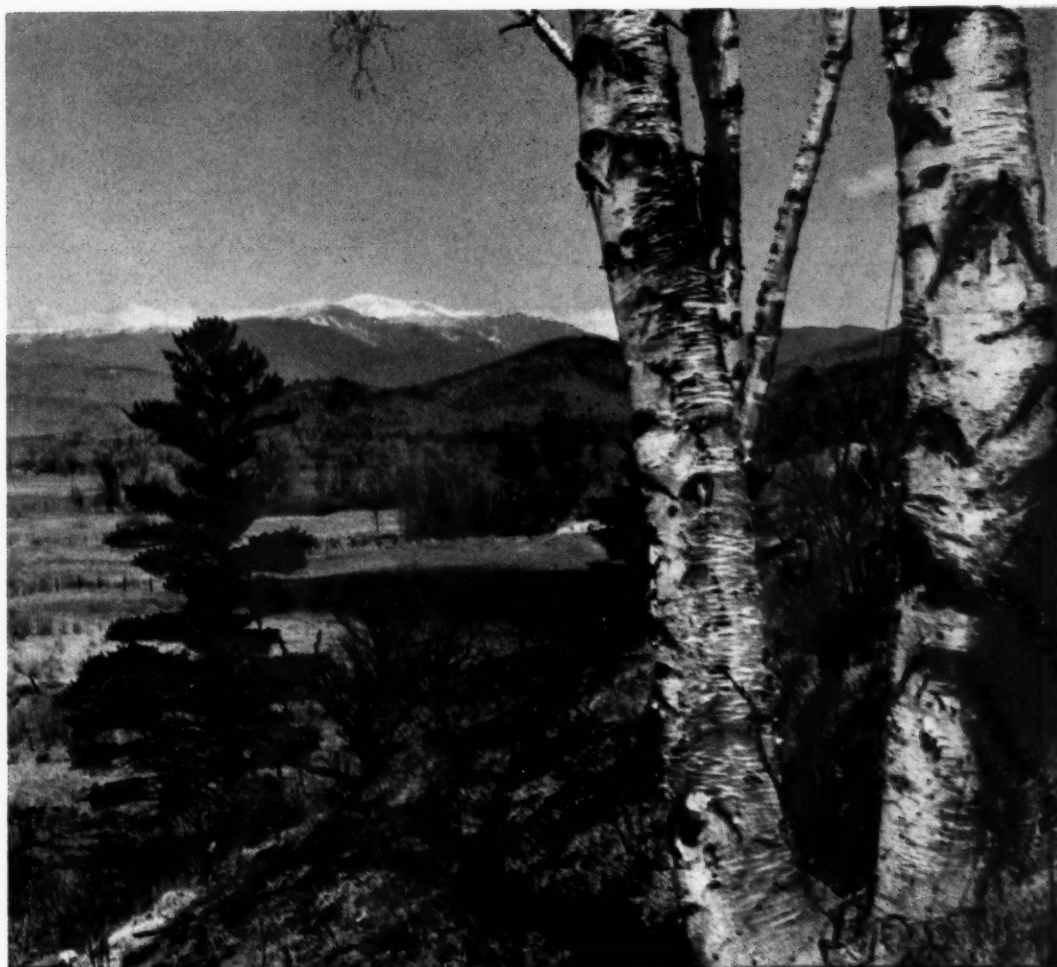


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Coming - A Time Of Peace

WINTER SNOWS linger on the mountain tops while the birches begin to bud in the valley below. No matter how severe the winter or late the spring may seem to be, the season of cold weather and barren landscape will finally pass and, with the coming of spring, the trees will bud and blossom and put forth their leaves. The certainty of the change in the seasons has been confirmed by God in the covenant He made with Noah: "While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease" (Gen. 8: 22).

God has been faithful and the ordinances of the heavens have not failed in their functions. The sun gives its light by day and the moon by night. Just so will God keep every one of His commitments.

Today the world is full of crime and tyrannical leaders are making the earth a place of sorrow and death. Men of violence have seized power and the people are oppressed. Has God, who has been so thoughtful in regulating the ordinances of heaven so that the seasons of the year may not be disturbed, made any pronouncements which indicate a coming end to violence and crime of every kind? Does He give any assurance that the desire of all people for peace will be fulfilled and that the world will reap its fruits?

Just as surely as the Lord made a covenant with Noah that the seasons would follow one another in an orderly manner, so too He has given His word concerning a day to come when "violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders" (Isa. 60: 18).

The nations today are preparing for war, with Soviet Russia threatening to annihilate all who stand in the way of her goal — world domination. God was fully aware of the aggressive intent of these evil despots centuries before they came to power and He has declared that, when they move against His people to destroy them, "My fury shall come up in my face, for in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken" (Ez. 38: 18-19). The Lord has pronounced judgment upon these evil aggressors and the destruction they have planned for others is to return upon their own heads.

Let those who long for the day to come when wars shall cease mark carefully the promise God has made that such a day is indeed to come when of His people He states,

"I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them" (Ez. 37: 26). At that time the Lord declares He will not only multiply His people, but He will set His sanctuary among them and He will be their God and they will be His people. Then He promises, "The heathen shall know that I the Lord do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore" (Ez. 37: 28).

As a result of all this, and in marked contrast to the present spirit of hatred manifested toward God's people by their enemies, and published in the lands of the heathen, Isaiah affirms, "Their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the seed which the Lord hath blessed" (Isa. 61: 9).

Just as the birch trees begin to bud even while the winter snow still blankets the mountain tops, so too the proclamation of the coming establishment of the perfection of Kingdom rule is being heard while trouble and violence still afflict the people of God. In that God has kept inviolate all of His covenants and promises, we have a firm guarantee that we are today moving inevitably onward toward the day when He will bring about the promised deliverance of His people from all evil and He will cause righteousness to fill the whole earth as the waters cover the sea.

Through Isaiah the Prophet the Lord pronounces the following verdict upon the sons of those who had previously afflicted His people: "The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, The city of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel" (Isa. 60: 14).

Solomon declared, "To every thing there is a season, and a time for every purpose." As a people we have now reached the "times and seasons" when the old order is to pass away and when the purposes of God are to be fulfilled. Then His people will become a crown of glory in His hand, with the result that "the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name" (Isa. 62: 2). In spite of the calamities and troubles facing the world today, we can rejoice and be glad because of the certainty of the coming fulfillment of the promises of God.

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THE MARCH OF HISTORY

A Troubled World

WITH THE alleged escape of Patrice Lumumba from jail in the Congo, and his subsequent murder, international tensions reached the boiling point. Soviet Russia promptly seized upon the situation to add fuel to the fires of disruption by calling for the withdrawal of all troops, including those of the United Nations, from the Congo.

The leaders in Soviet Russia have no intention of withdrawing from Africa themselves. Their whole purpose is to embarrass the Western nations and discredit the United Nations, leaving the field clear for Soviet domination. Premier Khrushchev has been pursuing a program of three steps where the UN is concerned:

- 1) Control the United Nations
- 2) Destroy the United Nations
- 3) Ignore the United Nations

If withstood in any one of these steps, he would go on to the next. While attending the General Assembly of the UN last year, he made an attempt to exercise domination and control. Failing in that, the interference of the U. S. S. R. in African affairs has been wholly designed to destroy the UN by making it impotent to deal with the tortuous troubles on that continent.

However, Khrushchev has not yet wholly succeeded in this plan, so the latest move has been to ignore the UN, and particularly its Secretary General, in the most

recent resolution introduced in the Security Council.

The rioting which has followed the death of Lumumba has all the earmarks of Communist planning, for we are indeed in the "Valley of Thrashing," confirmed by continuing world-wide mob violence. As pointed out in the article, "Their Wickedness is Great," DESTINY for October 1960,* these mob scenes are the final phase in the uprising against orderly government and they are a major factor in the gathering of peoples and nations for the Battle of That Great Day of God Almighty.

Encouraged by Soviet Russia, and even backed by direct assistance from the Kremlin, the mobs which are on the march today may well constitute the shock troops of the Communist drive for power. Paul warned the watchers why the Great and Terrible phase of the Day of the Lord would come as a "thief"; that is, in the darkness and unannounced, because of the subtleness of the enemy's propaganda, calling for peace while actually preparing for war (I Thess. 5: 2-3). The Soviets have continued to put forth fantastic peace proposals, at the same time preparing to strike suddenly and without warning with weapons of fearful destruction. It is even while they are still saying (*i.e.*, discussing) "peace and safety," that sudden destruction is to come upon them. This grotesque anomaly constitutes one aspect of

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the snare that will come upon the inhabitants of the earth because they have been duped by deceptive Communist propaganda.

Multitudes of the inhabitants of the earth are completely unaware that we are living in the period of the Day of Battle and, therefore, they are wholly unprepared for the sudden destruction that will climax the present period when God moves in His wrath against the nations. John, in Revelation, puts it succinctly:

"And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth." (Rev. 11: 18.)

We cannot too strongly emphasize that since entering the Day of Battle (Dec. 11, 1959 to Feb. 5, 1963) there has been no peace nor peaceful settlement of any major issue before the nations even though peace itself has been the subject of continued discussion. The times in which we live are perilous in the extreme, with the intensity of conflict increasing as we approach noonday (July 9, 1961) of this Day of Battle. Soviet Russia is using every means at her command to strengthen her position in the world, to ruthlessly downgrade any individual who stands in her way and block any nation that dares check her grasp for world mastery. The men in the Kremlin are past masters at stirring up trouble, even inciting to bloodshed, as they urge mobs into action over which even they will ultimately lose control when the sudden destruction phase of the Day of the Lord becomes an actuality.

Let Them Rave

IT MAKES a difference whose ox is being gored! In the early part of February the French air force fired warning shots as a signal for a Soviet plane carrying President Leonid Brezhnev to Morocco to turn northward as it flew out of course over the Mediterranean, violating territory near the Algerian coast in its flight.

A foreign minister's statement in Russia, made public by the news agency Tass, called it an unprecedented attack, nothing but "an act of international banditry" committed by the French air force.

The American reaction to the Russian objection would be well expressed by the slang phrase, "So what!" Actually who is talking anyway? Soviet Russia is guilty many times over for unwarranted attacks upon the planes of the United States. The French plane fired warning shots only. They did not attack the plane itself or cause the death of any of its occupants. Many an American boy has died from far less provocative intrusions into so-called Soviet air space.

It is long past time that the men in the Kremlin awoke to the reality that the civilized world is rapidly becoming aware of their duplicity and total refusal to adhere to any semblance of justice or equity in their dealings. Before the ledger of international duplicity is fully balanced, the account will reveal who the real bandits are and it will not be those whom the Tass

news agency accused, for the finger of time will single out the godless, merciless, wanton killers in the Kremlin as the world's worst criminals, who have so ruthlessly murdered millions of men, women and even children in their climb to power.

Justified

IN *Day of Visitation*, a reprint of articles which were originally published in DESTINY during 1958,* attention is called to the date of September 3, 1968 when, according to the chronology of the Great Pyramid, the Kingdom people will arrive at the time when displacement is removed for them; that is, by that date God's people will be cleansed and prepared to assume the duties assigned to them in the coming New Order of the Ages. Referring to the Angel's declaration, the Prophet Daniel declares:

"And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days [evenings and mornings]; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed [or justified]." (Dan. 8: 14.)

In Biblical chronology, therefore, the number 2300 signifies cleansing. In DESTINY for January 1961 (p. 17), the date of the foot of the cross in the King's Chamber of the Great Pyramid is given as May 13, 1962. In a recent letter, Mr. J. Bernard Nicklin calls attention to the fact that from this date to the North-South axis line of the Great Pyramid (September 3, 1968) there are 2300 days, at which time displacement will be overcome for God's people.

It is most important to consider the depth of the meaning of the word translated "cleansed" and note that the following definitions are included: "justified" or "proved" or "shown to be just"; that is, "absolved from guilt and held blameless." Will the pressures of tribulation and trouble through which the people of God must pass before they reach the date of September 3, 1968 result in a spiritual awakening and a complete turning away from all their unrighteous practices so that by that date all Israel will again be ready to reaffirm the vow of their forefathers, which was first made when they were about to be organized into a kingdom? At that time the record states:

"All the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord hath spoken we will do." (Ex. 19: 8.)

A pertinent question is asked by Paul:

"Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth." (Rom. 8: 33.)

And the Lord Himself states further:

"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord." (Isa. 54: 17.)

While it is true that today our land is filled with violence and crime and our iniquities have separated us from the Lord, the promise will yet be fulfilled,

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"There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob" (Rom. 11: 26). Thus the Lord, through the Prophet Ezekiel, states:

"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them." (Ez. 36: 25-27.)

When this day comes, and the people of God have turned away from all evil, Isaiah declares they will "arise and shine" (Isa. 60: 1), with the pronouncement that God will then make them a Levitical order, a priestly nation, i.e., a nation of administrators of His laws, bringing to pass the original intention when at Mount Sinai the Lord stated, "Ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation" (Ex. 19: 6). This is confirmed through Isaiah:

"And I will also take of them for priests and for Levites, saith the Lord." (Isa. 66: 21.)

In contemplation of Israel's return to Him, the Lord exclaims (Isa. 60: 15-16): "I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations. . . I the Lord am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob."

March 1-3, 1961

THE DATE titling this editorial will have become history by the time this issue of DESTINY reaches most of its readers. What it will signal, and the turn of events that will unfold from that date onward, time must reveal. However, in our judgment the following should be set forth as a matter of record for the information of those who are watching developments in the light of chronological time-periods. Reference has already been made to a number of the time-periods focusing in upon the first part of the month of March. To this we want to add the following chain of time cycles, giving additional emphasis to the necessity to remain alert and watchful.

The United States financial crisis of October 23-November 1, 1929 has been recently pointed out by Mr. J. Bernard Nicklin as beginning two more important cycles of time, one being 9 x 1260 days (9 signifies finality or judgment and 1260 denotes tribulation) terminating on November 9-19, 1960, the ten-day period following our national election, during which time the announcement was made concerning the seriousness of our gold shortage. The second cycle of time from the October 1929 date is a 40 x 286.1 day-period, ending February 21-March 3, 1961. Thus, the Displacement Number, 286.1, multiplied by 40, a number associated with trial, probation and chastisement, is highly suggestive. In a letter written by Mr. Nicklin to Mr. W. C. Nabors, commenting upon the Displacement Number 286.1, Mr. Nicklin commented:

"Mr. Davidson made a strong point of the fact that dis-

placement represents childbirth, that mankind and Israel today are in the womb of a materialist and sinful world, actually in the time of travail and approaching the birth pangs. Deliverance will displace us from this material environment into a spiritual environment."

In previous correspondence, Mr. Nabors had called Mr. Nicklin's attention to the fact that 9 x 1890 days from August 5, 1914, the beginning of World War I, would end March 1, 1961. The number 1890 is 7 x 270 and 270 is nine prophetic months, signifying "birth pangs" or coming deliverance. The number seven denotes spiritual perfection.

The full importance of transpiring events at the beginning of the month of March may not be fully revealed until after we have had an opportunity to view in retrospect what has occurred. We are assured that time itself will fully vindicate the importance of the terminal dates of these cycles. Meantime, as watchers, we have the privilege of checking against the related timing the continuing increase in the tempo of trouble as the climax of these days of crisis approaches.

Interjecting Dissension

IN THE ARTICLE, "Joining the Authors of Confusion" (this issue), we have taken strong exception to erroneous deductions drawn from unsound premises in an article published in *The National Message*, titled "The Death of the Eagle" and purporting to show that Soviet Russia will destroy the United States of America. What the editor of that magazine is entirely overlooking when he offers this presentation as a subject for discussion is that there is quite a difference between merely raising questions of a controversial nature and deliberately interjecting dissension within the fold of believers by sugar-coating falsehood.

The higher critics and their counterparts, the modernists, claim to be engaging only in a critical examination of the Scriptures for the edification of scholars and believers, when actually they are emissaries of the devil working from within to disrupt the Christian Church. The results have all too well displayed the successes attained by such trojan-horse methods in furthering the satanic purpose.

To justify the publication of the spurious attack upon the branch of the Israel people residing in the United States of America, the editor's comment in the February 1961 issue of *The National Message* styles those who refuse to be swayed by this hodgepodge of ill-conceived ideas as unscholarly, narrow-minded and unable to understand new revelations of truth, charging them with unwillingness to change their minds. Indeed, the same arguments were used by the higher critics and they are used today by the modernists against all those who refuse to be deceived by their theological pronouncements.

The editor employs an argument that is truly born of the pit when he asserts: "If an interpretation is correct, it will withstand all attacks." The results of the evil propaganda of our day belie any such conclusion

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Month By Month ·

by A. R. H.

IN OUR ARTICLE last month we gave evidences of the deceptive nature of the new "peace offensive" strategy of the Kremlin aimed at achieving an "imposed" peace without resort to war. In pursuance of this object the front page of all Moscow newspapers (Dec. 11, 1960) carried a world appeal calling for "joint efforts by all peoples to fight for peace against the war plans of Imperialists," culminating in the proclamation: "In our epoch, the peoples and states of the world have but one choice, peaceful coexistence or a nuclear war. There is no other way."

Recalling the prophecy that at the end of the age people would be in danger of seduction by false prophets crying "peace, peace, when there is no peace," Biblical students will also recall the warning that it is when men are lulled into a sense of false security, crying: "Peace and Safety," that sudden destruction is liable to come upon them. In this latest strategy it is possible to see the outworking of Soviet plans for the psychological disintegration of morale in the West. It is a move which needs to be viewed in the light of the speech in which Mr. Khrushchev declared: "The Soviet Union is not so stupid as to risk a war which would cost millions of lives, but we are going to make the Imperialists dance like fishes in a saucepan even without war."

A State of Alarm

A close look at the beguiling invitation to choose between the alternatives of coexistence on Soviet terms or extermination reveals that it is tantamount to being offered the choice of being hugged to death by a bear or being swallowed by a boa constrictor. Assimilation is the object in both cases. But the operation is hardly one calculated to contribute anything to the well-being of those subjected to this process of incorporation.

Meanwhile, at Christmastime, the B. B. C. Monitoring service picked up a Moscow Radio broadcast making renewed complaints at "the persistence of religious survival in the U. S. S. R., sometimes even amongst youths," concluding with the significant though distorted admission:

"While capitalism and its imperialist aggressive forces exist, the real menace of a destructive war still remains. This keeps people in a state of constant alarm for the fate of the world and enhances the religious sentiments and moods of believers."

Students of prophecy have long anticipated that as the period described as "The Night of Alarm" was superseded by its succeeding phase described as "The Day of Battle," signs of a spiritual awakening would be manifest, leading up to the outpouring of the Spirit of God upon all flesh.

Meanwhile, on his return from the Moscow conference, Mr. Koco Theodosi, speaking on behalf of Albania, at Tirana, indulged himself in the following

expostulation: "We reject all attempts to present Imperialism as peace-loving. Imperialism does not offer peace. Peace should be imposed on it."

As previously reported in these columns, long-range rocket bases have already been completed in Albania, zeroed on London, Paris and Rome. The fact that Albania, alone among the Communist satellite states, rejected the Kremlin's new peace-offensive and supported the Chinese line that war with Capitalism is still inevitable, is significant in view of its close proximity geographically to Rome, a city which escaped aerial bombardment during World War II on the grounds of being "a holy city."

The Vatican City

Not unnaturally, the seriousness of this perpetual threat to the continued existence of Rome as a city daily becomes a matter of increasing concern in Vatican circles. Furthermore, in a letter to the *Daily Telegraph*, the Rt. Hon. Cyril Osborne, M.P., makes an assertion which reveals a startling identity of viewpoints between Red China and Albania. Thus he avers.

"Your Moscow correspondent, Marvin Kalb, writes that 'Khrushchev sent a warm telegram to President-elect Kennedy, whilst China greeted the news of Mr. Kennedy's triumph with chill clichés.' A month ago, I was in Pekin where they openly accept this difference of attitude to America. Above all there is a violent anti-Catholic feeling in China which believes that the Vatican has become the tool of American capitalism."

Things are not always what they seem. Thus, the fact that, despite public protests, the Queen Mother visited the Vatican, preparing the way for the visit of Her Majesty the Queen to the Pope, might have been glossed over, had it not been that the Prime Minister's visit to the Pope was quickly followed up by that of the Archbishop of Canterbury. Obviously something more than the mere exchange of the niceties of diplomatic protocol was involved in all these perigrinations.

Binding Britain's Destiny

Asked in a TV interview to comment upon the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury to Rome, Mr. St. John Stevas startled many viewers out of their somnambulism when, unabashed, he said with evident satisfaction: "We must remember always that the Vatican is a monarchy." This bold admission came in reply to the awkward question as to why it was that the Roman Church, unlike other Christian denominations, appointed Papal Legates with ambassadorial rank as representatives to sovereign states throughout the world.

All these happenings form part of strenuous efforts being made both outwardly and from behind the

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scenes to bind the destiny of Britain to the destiny of Europe in an indissoluble union. As Signor Badini-Confaloniieri insisted vehemently at the recent Western European Union in Paris:

"The mission of the W. E. U. is to bind the destiny of the British people to that of the people of the Six Common Market nations (namely, Germany, France, Italy, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg). This should be brought about not by provision whereby our governments meet as required, but by ensuring that the United Kingdom joins the 'Six' in a real community. We are not resigned to Britain's absence but Britain's membership can be achieved only if all national considerations are by-passed."

The 1957 Rome Treaty

One of the most powerful arguments used in support of this conception is that only a strong Western Europe can contain the advance of the Soviet Union whose mounting economic strength, compared with that of the United States, is causing alarm. Professor Walter Hallsetin, President of the Common Market Commission, and so-called "*uncrowned king of the new Europe*," is equally arrogant in his attitude to British participation when he maintains: "*This undertaking is not complete without Britain, but it is not a question of whether or not we want Britain but of whether Britain wants us.*"

Invited to comment upon this proposal, a political correspondent who favors the plan said ingenuously:

"There would be a great welcome for a simple declaration by the Prime Minister that we are a part of Europe; that our fate lies there and that we accept in principle the Treaty of Rome which set up the Common Market."

One thing is certain. Whether we think of Britain as being geographically "*the appointed place*" of II Samuel 7: 10, or as being the Motherland of the "*company of nations*" of Genesis 35: 11, the fact remains that the "fate" and destiny of Britain lies *not* with the nations of Europe but with the nations of the British Commonwealth and with "*the Great People*" of the United States (Genesis 48: 19).

Supra-National Ambitions

A *Daily Express* leading article gives its opinion in the following forthright manner:

"Eighteen words should kill any possibility of Britain ever joining the European Common Market. They were spoken by M. Couve de Murville, the French Foreign Minister: 'It is impossible to be at the same time favorable to economic integration and be hostile to political integration.'"

"In plain language that means that, if Britain were to join, we would cease to be independent. We would have to take orders from a European organization dominated by Germany."

Since the French Foreign Minister made this diplomatic *faux pas*, frantic attempts have been made to play down what the *Daily Telegraph* called "*the supra-national aspects of the Rome treaty*," which demands nothing less than the abandonment of the system of cooperation between countries in favor of the actual

merging of sovereignties.

Reporting on the House of Commons debate on this revolutionary proposal, the *Daily Mail* parliamentary correspondent affirmed:

"Britain would have to accept rule by a Super-Parliament of Europe if she joins the Six Common Market trading nations, the Foreign Secretary warned last night. M.P.s were bewildered as they debated a Government motion which said they would welcome political and economic unity in Europe. But the general feeling in the House of Commons was that Britain should stay out and concentrate on her membership of the Seven-nation European Free Trade Association."

A Higher Federal Parliament

"Questioned by M.P.s about this European Parliament, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd said: 'There is a very strong view that there should be a Federal Parliament with rights over certain things. This posed tremendous problems for British Parliamentary democracy and traditions. If the plan is to make the British Parliament subordinate to some Higher Parliament, it is no light matter. If the Higher Parliament were to control the social and economic life of the people, the fiscal policies and financial system, then, as parliamentarians, we would have to think very carefully what our policy should be.'"

To claim that we need to think carefully over such a preposterous proposition is a masterpiece of understatement. It is not a proposition worthy of consideration at all or at any price. Yet, among the prominent people who have come forward as advocates of union with Europe is Sir Gladwyn Jebb who, when speaking before the Anglo-American Press Association, maintained:

"We agree that some merging of the 'Six' and the 'Seven' must now be based on some principle other than that of free trade. Unless a real effort is made to achieve the political-economic unity of Western Europe, we shall go into slow decline in comparison with the bloc of Eastern countries. And that will lead to the disruption of the West and the triumph of Communism."

Finally, in his latest book entitled *The Anglo-American Predicament*, Professor H. C. Allen marshals all the arguments used by those engaged in attempts to induce Britain to abandon the conception of an Atlantic Alliance in favor of union with Europe. In the *Daily Telegraph*, however, Perigrine Worsthorne criticizes Professor Allen for preferring Atlantic Union to the merging of British sovereignty with the fate of Europe.

What God Has Joined

Perigrine Worsthorne almost falls over himself backwards in striving to make his case effective:

"Professor Allen fears that association with Western Europe would make this country heir of all the political ills that have racked the French, German and Italian body politics. I take a more rosy view. European union is infinitely preferable (to Atlantic Union) because the European countries are tied by geography to our side and what God has linked together no man can permanently put asunder."

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Changing Emphases in the Christian Message

By C. R. Dickey

THERE ARE PEOPLE in every generation who instinctively oppose any change in the established order to which they are accustomed. They are static in thought and in their desires. They set themselves against every change which leads to material progress, spiritual growth and the more abundant life.

In the early days a church group met in a business session to discuss improvements in the church property. Most of the members wanted to install stained glass windows. But the prospective change was too much for one elderly woman who rose to her feet and declared with stern emotion: "I believe in leaving these windows natural — just as the Lord made them."

People like that must be very unhappy in such a world as ours where modes of thought, habits and methods are constantly shifting. However, not all changes are for the best; they classify "for better or for worse."

The history of man is a record of his discoveries and of his continually changing activities. Through thousands of years we can trace his efforts to gain dominion over the earth. Much of man's early history we do not know. But we do have many waymarks and records of his explorations from Asia and Egypt to our own Western Hemisphere. His progress was slow and often painful. It was much like the covered wagon trek of American pioneers from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. In the process of expansion forests were turned into homes and factories, while waste lands became fertile fields.

One by one the forces of nature have been discovered and harnessed, bringing into daily use many wonderful things. A world of magic has opened for us through the telescope, the microscope, the radio and other inventions too numerous to mention. Even the sky recedes as thousands of airplanes dart to and fro by day and by night. We seem leagues away from the simple horse and buggy days of forty years ago. One does not need to be sixty years of age to remember when the automobile first began to contend for its right on the highways. At that time it was customary for the motorist, when meeting horse-drawn vehicles, to stop and assist in leading the horses by the car. This is an impressive reminder of the changes which can take place in the short span of forty or fifty years.

The history of man's faith and spiritual growth is a record of his attempt to discover God, and of his changing emphases in the process. Often his understanding of God's will and purpose as revealed in the Christian message has been obscured by narrowness, bigotry, selfishness, ignorance and open rebellion against divine truth and laws.

Stephen, the first Christian martyr, in his defense before the Jewish council, outlines with remarkable clarity the background of our Christian faith. It began, he tells us, on the day that "The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Haran." Abraham was not disobedient to that heavenly vision. Turning from the moon worship of his contemporaries, he left his home and native land to begin a pilgrimage which is destined to lead all the household of faith into a kingdom "whose builder and maker is God."

Step by step we can trace that pilgrimage through the pages of the Bible. It led to the great covenants which God made with Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the House of Joseph; it led to the election and calling of Israel as a nation to do God's bidding; it led to Sinai and the laws to guide the nation in its mission; it led to the tabernacle in the wilderness and its sacrificial altar for the atonement of sin, until the advent of the "new and better way" in Christ Jesus. The early Hebrew religion, pure and undefiled, consisted of two primary elements:

a) Faith in God, as exemplified in Abraham. "Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the friend of God." (James 2: 23.) It is worthy of note that Abraham not only believed in God, but he "believed God"; that is, he believed the promises which God made to him would be fulfilled in his own life and ultimately in the history of the world.

b) Administration of the full legal and moral code as set forth by Moses. Adherence to these foundation principles guaranteed peace, health, prosperity and national unity to Israel.

In time the emphasis changed. Israel's national and ecclesiastical leaders gradually drifted from the moorings of their foundation which God had laid in Abraham and Moses. Then the emphasis was no longer on Abraham's pure faith and worship, but rather on polytheism and pagan rites as practiced by the nations around them. Eventually even the Mosaic Law was set aside, sometimes becoming completely lost and forgotten. Then it would be found again, as in the days of Josiah, bringing in its wake a revival of faith, hope and rejoicing in the sacred Word.

Israel's periods of national decline were always due to a falling away from their early faith and principles of righteous government. The kingdom which flourished under David's regime was broken at the end of Solomon's reign. Their downward course continued and led finally to the captivities. After the resettlement of Judea by a remnant of Judah under Ezra and Nehe-

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miah, their intermarriage with non-Israel pagan races produced a thoroughly corrupt people who went so far as to kill the prophets whom God sent to call them to repentance. And for the statutes of Moses they substituted their own commands. This was the condition of the nation of the Jews to which John the Baptist and Jesus came preaching, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

The following is quoted from Farrar:

"The rabbinical schools had spun large accumulations of worthless subtlety all over the Mosaic law. Among other things they had wasted their idleness in fantastic attempts to count, and classify, and weigh, and measure all the separate commandments of the ceremonial and moral law. They had come to the conclusion that there were 248 affirmative precepts, being as many as the members in the human body, and 365 negative precepts, being as many as the arteries and veins, or the days of the year; the total being 613, which was also the number of letters in the decalogue."

Jesus paid His respects to their works in no uncertain terms in such statements as we find in Matthew 23 and Mark 7:

"The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat: . . . they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers. . . . Ye are the children of them which killed the prophets. . . . Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the fury of hell?"

"Well hath Isaiah prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition."

Contrast their grievous distortion of the law with our Lord's terse precepts:

"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." (Matt. 7: 12.)

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." (Matt. 22: 37-40.)

How He angered them with His simplicity and authority!

Building on the foundation laid in Abraham, Moses and the prophets, Jesus Christ and His apostles established for all time the tenets of the Christian faith. There are three main elements in the Christian message: a) personal salvation for all mankind by repentance, by confessing the deity of Christ, and by trusting Him for the remission of sin; b) redemption for the lost sheep of the House of Israel, whose divorce from the covenant was annulled by Christ's death; c) restoration of the kingdom of God on the earth, including the resurrection of believers, the return and kingship of Christ.

Consider how all the New Testament writers agree in their presentation of the Gospel in its entirety. Now it is proclaimed only in part, if it is proclaimed at all. But whatever the age, background and temperament of the apostles, there was unity in the full Gospel of Christ which they presented to the churches. They taught the Christian message in its completeness as they learned it from the Lord Himself. They omitted nothing from it and they added nothing to it.

However, during the very lifetime of the apostles, the enemy began to sow tares with the wheat. In the Book of Acts and in all the Epistles we find frequent accounts of Judaizers and other deceivers spreading errors to corrupt the Christian Gospel. And rarely, since that first century of the Christian era, has it been taught without error. Through the centuries which followed, it was laden with erroneous additions by some and stripped of essential elements by others.

Both Romanism and Protestantism are guilty of perverting the pure faith and practices of the Gospel of Christ. Both are now being judged. They may not see the handwriting on the wall, but it is there. They are being weighed in the balances and found wanting. The church at Rome was the first to become completely dominated by Judaizers. Under their influence the freedom of the Gospel was removed, its teachings misappropriated, and its people kept in ignorance of truth. Corrupt priestly orders were attached to the church, binding both priests and people with regulations which never belonged to the Aaronic order.

The great Protestant Reformation brought to the people once again the truths and liberty of the Gospel as presented by Christ and His apostles. Unfortunately its unity was soon broken by violent disputes which resulted in schisms and in the organization of various denominational branches all professing to preach the same Gospel, while manifesting furious disagreement among themselves on matters of faith and practice.

Stemming from the influence of the Roman Church, there were centuries of bitter debate over the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to determine whether the bread and wine used is the actual flesh and blood of our Lord, or whether they are only symbols of His sacrifice. Like so many similar arguments, they killed the spirit with the letter. Did not Jesus say, "This do in remembrance of me"? The essential factor involved in the Sacrament is not to be found in analyzing the nature of the elements used, but rather in keeping the memory of His sacrifice fresh in our hearts "till He come."

"For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till He come." (I Cor. 11: 26.)

Another half century was wasted when the emphasis shifted to a theory known as "damnation of infants." It was contended by some theologians, and refuted by others, that those who died in infancy were lost eternally, because, not having reached the age of accountability, they had not accepted Christ and been baptized. It seems as if that question ought to have been settled without hesitation or argument by Jesus' own words:

"Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 19: 14.)

Then there was a day which many of us can remember when the emphasis in preaching was mainly on methods of baptism. The controversies were many and furious. Some ministers, with more zeal than knowledge and compassion, not only caused dissension in community life, but sometimes they inflicted undue anguish on bereaved families by boldly consigning a departed soul to eternal separation from God on the basis of the mode of baptism. Again the letter kills where the spirit gives life. For if the *manner* of baptism had been the supreme issue Jesus would have given specific instructions, as to how it should be administered. He would have omitted no detail that could affect the destiny of a human soul.

Other years have been wasted in disputes and hatred because of emphasis on denominationalism. One regrets to say that the evil is still with us, though it may have lost some of the crudity of an earlier day. Two church groups were compelled by circumstances to use the same building for a time. One sect used musical instruments in worship and the other used none. Sunday came and the anti-organists held their service first. When the second group arrived they found the organ draped in black and labeled, "The golden calf." And — strange to say — some had not noticed that the same Bible which tells the story of the golden calf says also that the Lord commanded David to invent new instruments of music with which to praise Him.

There was also the nineteenth century emphasis on God's wrath and judgment. In the sermons of that era, God was forever watching His victims writhe over the flames of torment. To counteract the distorted picture, God raised up a few evangelists to tell about His love for the world. Dwight L. Moody was one of them. John 3: 16 was the central theme of his preaching and it was truly needed in that day. Now the pendulum swings to the opposite extreme. In much of the preaching today the God of justice is presented as an indulgent grandfather who no longer has the courage or the wisdom to discipline His children.

Twentieth century Christianity has been characterized by the rise of two distinct and opposing movements within the Protestant fold; namely, Modernism and Fundamentalism. Both groups are now adding to their confusion and going still farther into error under the influence of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Jesus took His kingdom from the Jews; but now, disregarding His edict, both Modernists and Fundamentalists are trying to give it back to them on the Jews' own terms, without repentance and confession of Christ as Lord and Saviour. Every Christian minister and layman needs to study anew the closing words of Stephen's challenge to Jewry in his defense before their council:

"Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye. Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers: Who have received the law by the

disposition of angels, and have not kept it." (Acts 7: 51-53.)

Shortly after speaking these words, Stephen was stoned to death by the angry mob. It is a significant fact that Jewry's attitude toward Jesus the Christ has not changed from Stephen's day to the present hour. And, until it does, professed followers of Christ have no scriptural grounds upon which to extend Christian fellowship to unrepentant Jews. As a matter of fact, Christian brotherhood and fellowship simply do not exist apart from the bond of faith in Christ as the only begotten Son of God.

Oddly enough, Modernists and Fundamentalists share another common error: they look for the coming kingdom of Christ *in their hearts*. No wonder they are befuddled in their understanding of the Christian message and its application to world events. In their bewilderment Modernists ignore Bible covenants and prophecies, hoping withal to find Utopia by collaborating with "liberal" left-wing movements. Fundamentalists recognize the prophetic messages of the Bible, but their attempts to fit them into the pattern of history have ended in failure because they apply to the Jews all the covenants which God made with the Houses of David and Joseph.

"Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall in the ditch?" (Luke 6: 39.)

Another changing emphasis is yet to come in the Christian message. Christians must turn to the eternal covenants of the Bible. They are the means of understanding the Christian faith and the world in which we live. They are national in scope. They are neither mystical nor vague. God made them with a nation and a company of nations founded in Abraham. They are not Jewish covenants, for neither Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph nor Moses were Jews. Israel of the covenants has been forgotten as a national entity. The glorious promises made to Israel — which could be fulfilled only in a nation — have been spiritualized and transferred to the church by men who ought to know the functions of state were never delegated to the church. When we Anglo-Saxons begin to see ourselves as Israel, called in Isaac, then we shall the better fulfill our destiny to bless all the nations of the earth.

But first we must heed the call of Psalm 80:

"Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth. Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up thy strength, and come and save us. Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved. O Lord God of hosts, how long wilt thou be angry against the prayer of thy people? Thou feedest them with the bread of tears; and givest them tears to drink in great measure. Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours: and our enemies laugh among themselves. Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved."

This Psalm seems to be peculiarly our own, written especially to the latter day House of Joseph, the United States and Great Britain, for our admonition in these tempestuous days.

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IF ANYBODY still has any doubts about the extent to which the Communist bloc is physically present in the Congo, two events in the past months supply significant evidence.

2) The invasion of northern Katanga by pro-Lumumba troops from the Province Orientale. This must not be mistaken for merely another armed tribal incursion. It was one of the most significant military operations that has yet taken place in the Congo. To move nearly 1,000 troops from Stanleyville to Manono required organization, planning and discipline far beyond the capacity of mere marauding bands.

This was the first operation in which the "technicians" from behind the Iron Curtain showed their hand. The troops were, in fact, led by East German officers who are now present in large numbers. They are also supervising the movement of troops from the Stanleyville area into Equateur Province, northeast of Leopoldville. Troops under their command already have one-third of the Congo under control and are

The most extraordinary aspect of this alarming deterioration of the Congo situation is that neither the United Nations nor Britain and the United States seem to be taking official notice of it. The United Nations, with nearly 20,000 troops in the Congo (many of whom are admittedly totally unreliable) has made no move to counter these armed invasions. They are being carried out by troops which ostensibly belong to the Communist State which was set up first in Province Orientale, with Stanleyville as its capital, but which has now also taken in Kivu Province, northern Katanga and part of Equateur Province.

We stress once more that the Congo and Ruanda Urundi are not two remote African States which do not affect us. They are more than one million square miles in the heart of Africa which, by virtue of their location (and size), will affect the future of the whole African continent north of Southern Rhodesia.

Military supplies from Russia to the United Arab Republic have recently been on a big scale and continue to be so — but on the strict understanding that the armed forces are to be entirely under Amer's personal control. Nasser — the Russians say — is not to interfere in any practical way.

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Side by side with this development, the situation in Persia continues to be bad. The Army is now believed to be largely unreliable. The Turkish economic situation gives cause for much anxiety. The possibility of a tempting Russian offer of large-scale help — on conditions — for a vast irrigation project in Anatolia cannot be excluded. Nor can its acceptance.

Information from China confirms that at the recent meeting of Communist Parties in Moscow negotiations between China and the Soviet Union were difficult. On two occasions the Chinese delegation was preparing to leave. In each case, Mao Tse-tung personally refused his permission. He insisted that flexibility and compromise were necessary. He thus brought about the omission from the declaration at the end of the conference of any mention of agrarian organization (the people's communes) and he also obtained the very sharp denunciation of American "imperialism," which was in stronger terms than Khrushchev desired. China also obtained the denunciation of the attitude of the Iraqi government towards the Communist Party, a matter on which there was a sharp difference of view between Moscow and Peking. Peking is well satisfied with the outcome of the conference. It feels that by wise concessions the unity of the Communist camp has been maintained and, at the same time, China has enlarged her influence in the Communist world. Indeed, Peking takes the view — rightly or wrongly — that it controls about a third of the eighty-odd Communist Parties in the world.

At the end of the Moscow conference, a secret agreement was reached between China and the Soviet Union. This was that if at any time during 1961 the compromises reached at the conference are considered unsatisfactory by either Russia or China, another meeting can be called of the same Communist Parties which attended the Moscow conference.

At present, Peking has no intention of taking advantage of this concession. The intention is to wait for three events which, in Peking's opinion, will so affect the balance of strength within the Communist world that a new conference thereafter would find China with even greater influence than now. These three events are:

- 1) The admission of Red China to the United Nations. Both Peking and Moscow expect that the new American administration will let this go by default. It is believed in both Peking and Moscow that British and Commonwealth influence is being used in Washington in favor of the admission of China to the United Nations and that all that the new American administration will require is some face-saving formula whereby it cannot be accused of outright appeasement. Unless strong American pressure is applied, it is likely that a majority could now be found in the United Nations for the admission of Communist China.

- 2) A new American attitude towards the offshore islands suggested by some of President Kennedy's campaign speeches. It is now taken for granted in Peking that within a reasonable period of time the Nationalist Chinese will be compelled to surrender the offshore islands. It is expected that several Asian countries would then withdraw recognition from Taipei and

enter into diplomatic relationships with Peking. Throughout Asia, the large and influential Chinese communities have consistently followed the policies of Chinese diplomatic missions. They have supported Chiang Kai-shek in those areas where the Nationalists have missions. It is believed in Peking that, if the Nationalists were replaced by Communists, the Chinese communities would change sides. This would affect the balance of forces in the whole Pacific area and greatly strengthen Peking's hand, not only in the Pacific area but within Asian Communist parties.

- 3) Peking is confident that nuclear energy progress in China will greatly strengthen her position within the Communist world.

Taking these factors together, Peking believes that the world situation is gradually playing into its hands and that there is, therefore, no need for over-precipitate action. At the moment, therefore, Peking has no interest in calling another Communist summit. The only thing which might change this would be a meeting between the Soviet Union and the Western Powers from which China was excluded and at which progress was made in understanding between Russia and the West. Senior Chinese Foreign Office officials, however, say that, in their view, such a Summit conference before the autumn of 1961 is unlikely. By then, China hopes to be a member of the United Nations and therefore to be entitled, as a great Power with a veto in the Security Council, to attend any Summit conference of the great Powers, and thus to be in a position to prevent any far-reaching agreements between the Soviet Union and the West.

For years, Russia has been hoarding its large gold production. This has, indeed, been one of the most important factors in Soviet planning and the extent of gold production has been a closely-guarded secret. According to the latest information reaching us, the Soviet Union is preparing, sometime in the first half of 1961, and most probably between March 1 and April 15, to proclaim the full gold convertibility of the rouble. The objective is to displace the dollar, at any rate amongst the non-committed nations. If successful, this would be a major cold war disaster.

The January meeting of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party was amongst the most important of recent years. Its full significance will emerge gradually. The agricultural situation in the U. S. S. R. is very bad. Not only was last year's harvest poor and the virgin lands project a failure, but the mild winter is giving rise to much anxiety. The likelihood for 1961 is that Khrushchev will do all he can to focus Soviet Union public opinion on foreign affairs; indeed, he must do so. Otherwise, he could find himself in a personal situation of considerable difficulty. The military chiefs — and particularly Army General Antonin — are watching.

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BACK TO THE REPUBLIC

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CHAPTER III

THE GOLDEN MEAN

THE *golden mean* is a concept almost as old as humanity itself. Confucius wrote interestingly about the *mean*. Horace gave expression to the phrase "*aurea mediocritas*."

The *mean* that is *golden* is that middle point or degree in any quality, state or activity which avoids the dangers or errors of either extreme by the striking of a well balanced medium.

In the study of any science or of any problem we can learn much by observing the laws of nature. If, in sowing grain, we use too little seed, the crop will be small. If sufficient is sowed, the best possible crop will result. If too much is sowed, there will be no mature crop because the plants will be too crowded to secure the proper nourishment, light and air. Again, if too little moisture falls upon the soil, you have a drought and little crop; if sufficient moisture, the best crop; if too much moisture, the field is flooded, the plants rot, and you have no crop.

In no sphere of activity do we find the dangers of the two extremes more disastrous and, on the other hand, the value of the *golden mean* more beneficial than in the realm of government. Too little participation by the people means autocracy, which results in tyranny. On the other hand, too much participation by the people means democracy, which results in mobocracy. It is the *golden mean*, the *republic* — the *standard* form of government, strictly and literally adhered to — which gives just the right amount of participation by the people in governmental affairs and causes the political plant to thrive and reach its best development and its full fruition.

Aristotle made the most valuable contributions to political science that were made prior to the founding of this republic. He was the first writer to undertake a classification of the forms of government. As a philosopher he knew that there must be three degrees for an accurate classification and he divided government into three forms. He knew that there should be two extremes and a form corresponding to the *golden mean* in the realm of government as in other fields of activity. He named monarchy as one extreme and defined it as government of one. He named democracy as the other extreme and defined it as government of the masses. But the *standard* form not having been evolved, the *golden mean* not having been worked out in his day, he could not include the republic as the *golden mean*. He was therefore forced in his classification to do what we are frequently called upon to do

when we cannot find the thing we need — namely, to use the best substitute available — and in lieu of the *golden mean* he chose aristocracy and defined it as government of the minority. Aristocracy, however, has the same elements and is of the essence of autocracy. It has the element of heredity, the element of class, the element of privilege, and generally the element of militarism, and deserves no classification separate and apart from autocracy, any more than bread deserves a classification separate and apart from food.

There have been several crude classifications of forms of government, and a mere statement of them is sufficient to demonstrate how shallow had been the thinking upon political science previous to the founding of this government. Von Mohl classified the forms of government as patriarchal, theocratic, despotic, classic, feudal and constitutional. The classification of Von Mohl is an apt illustration of the loose thinking and inaccurate use of governmental terms. It results only in confusing the mind. Bluntschli followed the classification of Aristotle and added "*Idiokratie*," which he defined as a state in which the supreme ruler is considered to be God, or some superhuman spirit, or an idea.

Most writers on political science since the time of Aristotle have followed his classification of forms of government, and modern writers on political science in the main still follow blindly the incorrect classification of forms of government suggested by Aristotle, although the founding of this republic made necessary a revision in order to make a correct classification. It was reserved for the founders of this republic, the framers of the Constitution of the United States, to arrest the erratic swing of the pendulum of government and point it to the *golden mean*, which made necessary a revision of the classification of Aristotle by striking out aristocracy, which is an essence of autocracy, and substituting republic, which is the *mean* that is *golden*, as follows:

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AUTOCRACY - ~~ARISTOCRACY~~ - DEMOCRACY

This makes the correct classification of forms of government.

All through the realm of nature and of human activity we find examples of the trinity classification above described — the two extremes and the *golden mean*. A few of the more striking classifications of this character are cited below in order to emphasize this fundamental truth and to illustrate the importance

and the soundness of the law of the *golden mean*. Other trinity classifications will doubtless occur to you:

EXTREME	GOLDEN MEAN	EXTREME
Autocracy	REPUBLIC	Democracy
Tyrants	Statesmen	Demagogues
Bondage	Liberty	License
Oppression	Reason	Impulse
Arbitrariness	Arbitration	Agitation
Submission	Contentment	Discontent
Coercion	Justice	Anarchy
Reaction	Progress	Chaos
Feudalism	Property rights	Socialism

You will observe from these classifications that the results of autocracy and democracy are undesirable extremes and that the results of a *republic* are desirable.

Autocracy results in tyranny, bondage, oppression, arbitrariness, coercion, submission, reaction.

Democracy results in demagogism, license, impulse, agitation, discontent, anarchy and chaos.

The *republic*, strictly and literally adhered to, results in statesmanship, liberty, reason, arbitration, justice, contentment and progress.

It is interesting to note how this natural law of the *golden mean* works in other fields of activity and illustrates the application of the law to forms of government:

EXTREME	GOLDEN MEAN	EXTREME
Skepticism	Reverence	Fanaticism
Polygamy	Monogamy	Promiscuity
Starvation	Nourishment	Gluttony
Thirst	Temperance	Drunkenness
Stupidity	Intelligence	Insanity
Monotone	Harmony	Discord
Three or less	Four wheels	Five or more
Hibernation	Rest	Insomnia
Darkness	Light	Dazzle
Drought	Moisture	Flood

What skepticism is to religion, autocracy is to government; what fanaticism is to religion, democracy is to government; what reverence or worship is to religion, the *republic* is to government.

Polygamy, which means plural marriage, is to the domestic world what autocracy is to government; promiscuity, or free love, is to the domestic world what democracy is to government; monogamy, one man and one woman lawfully wedded, producing legitimate children and serving as a unit in society, is to the domestic world what the *republic* is to government.

In the world of food, starvation is to the individual what autocracy is to government; the aspirations of the people are starved. What gluttony is to the individual, democracy is to government: it does not function. What nourishment is to the individual, the *republic* is to government.

In the matter of drink, what thirst is to the individual, autocracy is to government; what drunkenness is to the individual, democracy is to government; what temperance is to the individual, the *republic* is to government.

What the monotone is to music, autocracy is to government; what discord is to music, democracy is to

government; what harmony is to music, the *republic* is to government.

What stupidity is to thought, autocracy is to government; what insanity is to thought, democracy is to government; what intelligence is to thought, the *republic* is to government.

What hibernation is to sleep, autocracy is to government; what insomnia is to sleep, democracy is to government; what rest is to sleep, the *republic* is to government.

What darkness is to the sight, autocracy is to government; what dazzle is to the eye, democracy is to government; what light is to the eye, the *republic* is to government.

What drought is to the soil, autocracy is to government; what a flood is to the soil, democracy is to government; what moisture is to the soil, the *republic* is to government.

What three wheels or less are to transportation, autocracy is to government; what five wheels or more are to transportation, democracy is to government; what four-wheel vehicles are to transportation, the *republic* is to government.

You will observe that in the above classifications the *golden mean* is always an accurate, definite thing, while the extremes are variable, inaccurate things. For example, it is starvation whether an individual is deprived of food for several days or several weeks; the longer the period of time, the more extreme the starvation. It is gluttony whether one eats an overabundance of food or several times the needed amount, and the greater the abundance of food, the more extreme the gluttony; but nourishment, the *golden mean*, is a definite thing with fixed limitations — just enough.

If one is deprived of drink for a day, or several days, it is thirst, and the longer the time, the more extreme the thirst. One may drink too many glasses or too many quarts; the result will be drunkenness in some degree; and the greater the excessive amount, the more extreme the drunkenness: but temperance, the *golden mean*, is a definite thing with fixed limitations.

Polygamy consists in the marriage of one man to two or more wives. The number may be five, seven, ten, seventeen, or any other plural number; the larger the number, the more extreme the polygamy. Promiscuity consists of ignoring the institution of marriage and forming domestic relationships with one or more "affinities." This results in illegitimate children and chaos in society; the more numerous the "affinities," the more extreme the promiscuity. But the monogamous marriage is a definite thing with fixed limitations: one man and one woman lawfully wedded, producing legitimate children and serving as a unit in society. Add one or more wives and you have polygamy; one or more affinities, and you have promiscuity.

The above classifications and illustrations are scientific and in accord with truth and common sense. Just so in forms of government. The *republic* is a definite, accurate thing with fixed limitations. Take away one or more of the four elements of a *republic* and you have some degree of autocracy. Add one or more to the four elements of a *republic* and it emerges into democracy.

The law of degree also applies to forms of government. The more extreme the autocracy, the more vicious the government and, on the other hand, the more extreme the democracy, the more vicious the government: but the more strictly and literally the republic is adhered to, the better the government.

Frequently you hear people say that the more popular the government becomes, the better it becomes. That statement is as absurd and untrue as it would be to say that the more drink you give a person, the more temperate that person becomes, or the more excessive the amount of food you give a person, the better nourished that person becomes; the more fanatical a person becomes, the more religious that person is; the more seed you sow, the better the crop.

On every hand we hear the expression, "Make the world safe for democracy." That expression is as superficial, as impossible, and as unwise as it would be to say: "Make drink safe for drunkenness; make food safe for gluttony; make religion safe for fanaticism; make the social world safe for free love; make music safe for discord; make justice safe for lawlessness; make automobilism safe for joyriding." It is a weak, unsound, beggarly slogan. Government was created to make safety, not to have safety made for it.

A more effective statement would be, "Make the world safe through democracy," that is, if there were any basis for faith in such a slogan. But we cannot make the world safe for democracy, nor can we make the world safe through democracy, because democracy itself is one of the most dangerous things in the world.

The proper reply to that slogan is that the first *republic* made a nation safe for the first time in history and helped make the world safer until we modified the *republic* by adding the elements of democracy.

To discuss a governmental situation in terms of autocracy and democracy and ignore the republic is as shallow and unscientific as it would be to discuss a food problem in terms of starvation and gluttony and ignore nourishment, which is the vital thing; or to discuss the drink problem in terms of thirst and drunkenness and ignore temperance, which is the important thing; or to discuss the question of human rights in terms of bondage and license and ignore liberty, which is the essential thing.

The tendency, however, during recent years, of those in authority in all countries has been to go to one extreme or the other; to appeal to ignorance, passion, prejudice, emotion, hate and fear by intemperate speech, and to ignore the danger signals of history. There is an appalling need today for a knowledge and an observance and an application of the law of the *golden mean* in word, thought and action.

CHAPTER IV THE STANDARD FORM

IF YOU were asked to suggest a word that epitomizes in the most effective and comprehensive manner the sum total of human effort and the achievements of civilization, what would your answer be? Undoubtedly the word "*standards*." By the processes of reasoning and experience in the various fields of activity

and thought, *standards* have been evolved to guide mankind in the onward march of civilization.

From the birth of political speculation, treatises on politics have frequently discussed the question, What is the best form of government? The men who founded this republic answered that question by evolving the *standard* form of government. It is the right *standard* in the science of government, just as the Golden Rule is the correct *standard* in the Christian philosophy of right living; the Ten Commandments in the realm of law; the ten digits in the science of mathematics; the alphabet in the languages; the institution of monogamous marriage in domestic relationships; the clock in the realm of time; the compass as a guide to travel; the *standards* of weights and measures to express quantity; the yardstick as the unit of length; four wheels in the domain of land transportation; the fish-shaped boat in the domain of water transportation; gold in the monetary system, and the corporation in the field of business.

How do we know that these are *standards*? Because they have been evolved through reasoning and experiment and have been tested by experience and demonstration. Nothing was discovered or evolved up to the time of their adoption that worked as well, and nothing has since been evolved that could be substituted for them with profit and universal approval.

All of the *standards* above referred to, except the *standard* form of government, have met with almost universal adoption throughout the entire world. It is high time that we should adhere strictly and literally to the republic as the *standard* form of government in nation, state, county and city, and recommend its adoption throughout the world. It meets as severe a test as can be applied to any of the *standards* named.

During the thousands of years of history prior to the founding of this republic, no government had been devised which gave to its people religious freedom, civil liberty, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, security of individual rights, popular education or universal suffrage.

During the first hundred years of the existence of this *standard* form of government, all these privileges were secured. In that first century of our history we developed a larger galaxy of great statesmen (because they were working and thinking along *standard* lines) than has been developed by all other governments in the history of mankind. We harmonized into a splendid citizenship people of many nationalities coming to our shores with varying ambitions and ideals. We stood the strain of the great Civil War and came out of it stronger and better. We made material and commercial progress that has had no parallel in history and, while making that matchless record, we established for the United States of America the leading place among the nations of the world.

All these evidences of the adaptability of the republic to successfully meet unlooked-for emergencies, to harmonize the incoherent elements from other lands, to establish the blessings of liberty, of education and of individual rights, and to successfully solve the problems which had baffled philosophers and statesmen throughout the ages, are proof that the republic is not

only the best but the *standard* form of government.

It was the first form of government that worked well, and no form of government has since been devised which has met with such universal approval; yet, for some unexplainable reason, it has not met with universal adoption. The delay in universal adoption is not unusual, but quite in accord with the experience of history. It is doubtful if any of the other *standards*, now universally recognized, met with immediate adoption. Their discovery in most instances was probably followed by a period of doubt and further fruitless experiment.

The people of all ages have quite generally failed to recognize the merit of the work of the benefactors of the race and the prophets of their time, and have frequently paid popular homage to those who were finally revealed as impostors.

They humiliated Westinghouse for discovering the airbrake. They laughed at Bell for discovering the telephone. They persecuted Columbus for discovering a new world and unfolding hidden truth. They made a wandering pilgrim of Confucius in China. They gave Socrates the cup of hemlock for philosophy now taught in our universities. They crucified Jesus Christ, who came to lead the way and set the *standard* of right living for all mankind.

"Not understood!

Poor souls with stunted vision

Oft measure giants by their narrow gauge;

The poisoned shafts of falsehood and derision

Are oft employed 'gainst those who mold the age,

Not understood!"

The light finally dawned; the truth, although "crushed to earth," finally prevailed, and ultimately the importance of the work of the men who founded the republic will be recognized and understood.

There is no reason to suppose that the framers of the Constitution realized the full significance of their work. The ultimate purport of many of our great discoveries was not fully revealed until long after the discoverers passed over the great divide. So the framers of the Constitution, though they knew that they had conscientiously provided a form of government better suited than any other possible form to the need of their country, probably did not fully realize that they, too, had made a discovery of universal import.

Just so certain as the sphere is the *standard* form for the heavenly bodies, including the earth, throughout all the realm of nature, from the mightiest suns to the smallest planets, so sure it is that the republic, the *golden mean*, will become the *standard* form of government throughout the world.

It may be urged that the republic has not worked perfectly. The answer is that it is not the fault of the form of government, but of its imperfect application. It has provided by far the best government of any form that has ever been devised.

Problems in mathematics are not always worked correctly, but it is not the fault of the digits. It is the fault of imperfect application. Words are misspelled, but it is not the fault of the alphabet. We do not have perfect monetary systems, but it is not the fault of gold. Our remedy lies not in further experiment with

dangerous departures, but in improving our application of the *standard* form through exercising greater vigilance, more discretion and better judgment in the selection of representatives who are to administer the affairs of the government. One of the very vital tests that should be applied to prospective candidates as to their fitness is whether or not they understand thoroughly what this form of government is and the stern importance of adhering strictly and literally to it in nation, state, county and city.

No one claims that republics are perfect — nothing human is perfect — but I do maintain that there is the same difference between a republic and either a democracy or an autocracy that there is between good and bad.

During a recent conversation with a gentleman who is an earnest student of government, and who for years had been a teacher of constitutional history in one of our largest universities, he said: "I have always been of the opinion during my years of thought and study and teaching that one form of government worked well in one country and another form of government in another country." I replied: "Why don't you say that of the clock, of the compass, of the alphabet, of the Golden Rule, of the ten digits, of the *standards* of weights and measures, or of the institution of marriage?"

This *standard* form of government would work better than any other form in any country, under any conditions, in the midst of any people, just as the other *standards* heretofore enumerated, that have been universally adopted, work better in their various fields than anything else that has been devised. This *standard* form of government would work better than any other form in darkest Africa, densest China, chivalrous France, intellectual England, efficient Germany, chaotic Russia, serious Scandinavia, impulsive Mexico or anywhere else, and it will work better than any other form of government in any nation, state, county, or city, whether the population runs into the millions or is limited to a few hundred. The very essence of a republic is to make possible the selection of the best fitted people to work out the problems of government in a representative capacity.

The student of government further observed: "I have always been of the impression that the quality of public service depended more upon the intelligence of the people than upon the form of government." And I replied:

"From 1776 to 1788 we were living on the same land, with the same sun to shine by day and the same moon and stars to shine by night, with the same people, the same able men. The Mayflower Compact had been written; the Declaration of Independence had been adopted; we had been operating under the Articles of Confederation for twelve years, but there was a yearning desire to have a more stable government. In 1788 we wrote the Constitution, founded the republic, and in twelve years we had made unbounded progress and won the admiration of the world because of our form of government."

No better proof could be given of the great im-

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JOINING THE AUTHORS OF CONFUSION

By Howard B. Rand

WE LIVE in a time when, because of the multiplicity of false prophets; that is, false teachers, Jesus declared, "If it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect" (Matt. 24: 24). It is an interesting observation that authors of confusion only arise after a movement has reached full growth — not in its inception. At the beginning of the history of the Christian Church, its adherents were of one accord; not until many years later did dissensions arise among them.

What was true of the early church was also true at the outset of the proclamation of the Gospel of the Kingdom. Only in recent years has discord arisen as a new generation has come to the forefront that refuses to accept the fundamental findings of the fathers of this movement.

Early Pioneers

The early pioneers who did the research and uncovered the facts upon which we have maintained our witnessing were moved by the Spirit of the Lord to give their testimony. Turning back to their utterances and studying their writings, we discover among them a marvel of consistency as they testified in unity of spirit and purpose to the truths, both prophetic and historical, which establish the identity of the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples as the Israel of God in the world today. Each of these pioneers, living in his own environment, separated often not only by distance but by the ability to exchange ideas, nevertheless evidenced a remarkable uniformity in his findings as each one added his discoveries to the volume of evidence being offered.

There were no dissenting voices among them over a period of many years in the inception of the work, for they were of one accord in regard to the main issues. They established the identity of Great Britain, the company of nations, with the Throne of David in their midst, as Ephraim and the United States of America, the great people, as Manasseh. The specific identifying characteristic in each case, which Jacob-Israel emphasized, was the type of government under which each would function in the last days (Gen. 49: 1). Jacob-Israel's prophetic blessing is given as follows:

"He [Manasseh] also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother [Ephraim] shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations. And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh." (Gen. 48: 19-20.)

The Enemy Within

In the history of the Christian Church those who began to depart from "the faith which was once [for all time] delivered unto the saints [that is, to Israel]" (Jude 3) were intentionally or unintentionally subverting the truth, working from within to bring into disrepute that which the early fathers, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, had unanimously accepted as of the Lord. They became a disrupting influence within the fold.

Today the proclamation of the Kingdom evangel has reached its time of maturity, the identity of modern Israel having been established beyond honest refutation. But now, when the early fathers of our movement are no longer with us, there has once more arisen a babel of voices with a complete lack of uniformity in their testimony. Satan, as usual, unable to overcome the onward march of the Kingdom witness from without, secures recruits to work within the fold to destroy, if possible, the effectiveness of the Gospel of the Kingdom, the means through which God is calling Israel back to Himself again.

To read the writings of those who attempt to raise questions about the proper naming of those who today have inherited the blessings of Jacob-Israel, even reversing the identifications Scripturally established for generations, is to realize that the instigator of all lies has succeeded in influencing writers within the movement itself, making them authors of confusion to bring into question the findings of the early researchers. Of one thing we are certain: all these dissenting voices are not of the Lord, for God is not a God of confusion but of order and peace. Having departed from the truth given to those whom the Spirit of the Lord originally raised up to recall to the Israel peoples their origin, Satan is certainly trying to destroy the effectiveness of the endeavor in this generation to arouse God's people to look to their racial and national beginnings and, in the light of their identity, rise to their responsibilities.

This confusion is not only within the ranks of those purporting to propagate the facts about the identity of modern Israel, but it has spread to affect the proclamation of the truths of prophecy. This has become evident in the utterances and writings of some who are muddying the waters of unfolding prophetic revelation. Here again, as in the time of the Reformation, Satan is making a pretense of joining up with those whom he is unable to overcome by a frontal attack and injecting spurious interpretations into the presentation of prophecy to create discord and turn many away from seeking the truth.

In the time of the Reformation the Futurist interpretation of prophecy was a satanic masterpiece aimed at polluting the pure stream of the historical interpretation of prophecy. This has for a number of centuries brought confusion among Christians within the Christian Church to the detriment of the increase of knowledge and understanding of the more sure word of prophecy.

Today, with events demonstrating the bankruptcy of the Futurist approach to prophecy, the worth of the historical position is again coming to the forefront. But Satan does not intend that God's people will be enlightened by the truth if he can prevent it. Unable to continue the former deception any longer, his next move is to look for willing tools whom he may "inspire" to advance ideas which will introduce disorder among the ranks of the advocates of the historical school of prophetic interpretation.

Subverting the Truth

Before us as we write is a flagrant example of this satanic endeavor to befoul the waters of truth, not only concerning the correct identity of God's people, but in regard to the messages and warnings of the prophets as well. The article we refer to appears in *The National Message*, a magazine that in the past stood firmly for the identification of Great Britain with Ephraim and the United States of America with Manasseh. The author of the article presents the fantastic proposition that the United States of America is one of the heads of the evil three-headed eagle of Esdras (II Esdras 11 & 12). In his opinion, because our nation displays the emblem of the eagle among its heraldry, the great people of the United States of America are divested of any part in God's plan as Manasseh in the world today. Going much further than this, the author declares that, as one of the heads of the evil eagle of Esdras, the United States will be destroyed by Soviet Russia!

Eagle's Wings

Briefly stated, because Germany, Russia and Austria display the eagle, the conclusion is drawn that the United States, with its eagle, is of the same origin. Actually the American eagle, with its outstretched wings, is not to be associated with the two-headed eagles of Austria and Russia, nor the German eagle with its many feathered wings. The American eagle, poised with spreading wings, reminds us of the statement God instructed Moses to make to the people:

"I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself." (Ex. 19: 4.)

Just as the American eagle differs from the eagles of the nations of Europe, so its outspread wings remind us of another passage, this time in the New Testament, where reference is made to Israel fleeing from the persecutions in the old world as they sought a place in the wilderness and moved on to the North American Continent so that they might be free from oppression:

"And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle,

that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent." (Rev. 12: 14.)

As pointed out in *Study in Revelation**:

"The fact that the woman is shown as fleeing into the wilderness, and later given the wings of an eagle to fly there, would indicate that this place covered a wide extent of the earth's surface, some of which was near and accessible, while the rest could only be reached by methods symbolized by the eagles' wings and flying.

"Israel arrived in the Isles and further persecutions drove some on across the sea to the desolate heritages of this Western Hemisphere. The prophecy of nourishment of 1260 years (a day for a year) in the wilderness encompassed the time from Israel's trek towards the West until she reached these distant shores. Isaiah had reference to Israel located in the Isles and in these uttermost parts of the earth at a time when confusion and disorder are rampant in the earth. From these places he heard singing, 'They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the Lord, they shall cry aloud from the sea. Wherefore glorify ye the Lord in the fires, even the name of the Lord God of Israel in the isles of the sea. From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even glory to the righteous' (Isa. 24: 14-16)." (Pages 182-183.)

Here not only are the Isles mentioned but also "the uttermost part of the earth," which would definitely include the North American Continent.

The Eagle's Planting

If, as the above English writer undertakes to establish, the association of eagles and their habits with a nation identifies the people as of the evil kingdom represented in Esdras' vision of the evil eagle, what of Ezekiel's riddle?

"Thus saith the Lord God; A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers, which had divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and took the highest branch of the cedar: He cropped off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into a land of traffick; he set it in a city of merchants." (Ez. 17: 3-4.)

Lebanon is a mountain range in Palestine and to that place the eagle — suggesting a means of transportation — came and removed a twig from the highest branch of the cedar. The cedar of Lebanon is symbolic of royalty. Translating the riddle into actuality, the young twig, the tender one, from the seed of royalty who was to be planted in the city of merchants, in a land of traffic, indicated the removal of a young royal personage from the land of Palestine to the place of planting which has been identified as the British Isles.†

We would like to ask the author of the article in question if an eagle being involved in this planting of the royal seed in the Isles means that this is also a part of the activity of the evil eagle of Esdras. According to his reasoning all eagles and their activities are to be associated with Esdras' evil eagle with its three heads.

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†See *Study in Jeremiah*, pp. 294-297. \$3.50 postpaid. Destiny Publishers, Merrimac, Mass.

Predominating Israel Stock

Ridiculous statements are made by the author in his endeavor to justify his deductions. He states that fourth generation American-born Americans are a comparative rarity. Perhaps he has visited New York, with its multiplicity of races, but New York is not the United States. He speaks of the present small percentage of immigrants from Great Britain and reasons, therefore, that the predominance of the Anglo-Saxon stock has dwindled. He is completely overlooking the fact that the United States has a large population descendant from Norway, Denmark, Sweden and the Netherlands, as well as other countries definitely of Israel origin. Even European countries have their Israel "pockets"; for instance, Saxony in Germany and the Huguenots of France. After reading his statement regarding the rarity of American-born Americans, we checked our own family connections, friends and acquaintances and found that 90% of them are fourth generation American-born Americans. Of course, there have been some intermarriages as he claims, but Great Britain has also suffered from the mingling of peoples. Nevertheless, when the Israel nations are enumerated from which the people originate who are now citizens of the United States of America, it is safe to say that, insofar as Israel stock is concerned, at least 70% of the population is Israelitish. The author reasons that the United States is Japhetic, a deduction entirely unsupported by the facts of racial descent.

Greatness of Ephraim and Manasseh

In order to disassociate Manasseh from the United States of America, the statement is made that the Bible is ominous in its silence on the fate of Manasseh in the last days. Jacob-Israel, who blessed the sons of Joseph, was not silent on this issue. He declared:

"The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth." (Gen. 48: 16.)

Let the above-mentioned writer note that there is no time limit placed upon this wonderful heritage promised to both Ephraim and Manasseh. If one comes under this promised blessing in these latter days, so does the other. If Ephraim (Britain) is to be great, Manasseh (the people of the United States) is also to be great. The only difference is that one is greater than the other and that greatness in the prophecy refers to numerical strength, for Ephraim was to be a company of nations and Manasseh a great people. His conclusion that the Bible is silent regarding the future of Manasseh is consequently wholly out of step with what is stipulated in the blessings both Ephraim and Manasseh received from their grandfather.

Three Heads Identified

The author now arrives at his utterly bizarre conclusion that the two remaining heads of Esdras' evil eagle are Russia and the United States and that Soviet Russia is the head that will destroy the United States, the other head of the eagle.

Conclusive evidence has already been presented (in *Study in Revelation* and in "An Eagle With Three Heads," *Documentary Studies*, Vol. I, p. 166) setting forth the identity of the three heads of the evil eagle of Esdras. These facts are completely ignored by this writer. Esdras gives the geographical location of these three heads which represent the kingdoms to which they refer:

"Facing the map of Europe with the north at the top, Spain, France and Germany are on the left, while Russia and the Balkans are on the right. In the center and projecting down into the Mediterranean Sea is Italy. When Esdras speaks of the head on the left he refers to Germany, with its Nazism and Hitler, the leader, who dominated the western part of Europe. When he speaks of the head on the right, it is a reference to Communism and Stalin, and when he makes reference to the head in the center, Mussolini and Fascism are indicated.

"Referring to the head in the midst or center we are informed it was greater than the others and that it reigned upon the earth. The earth is the Apocalyptic or Roman world of Revelation at the center of which is Rome, once the capital of the pagan Roman Empire and now the capital of the Papacy. Here at Rome, Fascism came to power long before Hitler and Nazism were supreme in Germany, or Stalin and his dictatorial authority had been fully established in Russia. The Fascist regime blazed the trail of modern dictatorship with its march on Rome on October 30, 1922, from which we date the beginning of dictators (*Study in Revelation*, pp. 267-269). The middle head was greater in that Mussolini had set the political style in dictatorial methods to be copied later by Hitler and others. The type of rule at the seat of the old Roman Empire on the part of Fascism is expressed as 'with much oppression.'

"As Esdras watched he says, 'I beheld, and, lo, the head that was in the midst suddenly appeared no more.' This disappearance of the middle head is further clarified in the statement, 'And whereas thou sawest that the great head appeared no more, it signifieth that one of them shall die upon his bed, and yet with pain.'

"What are the facts? Already having identified the middle head with Mussolini and Fascism, the events in Italy left no question as to the accuracy of this interpretation. Mussolini came to his end suddenly, as did the system he represented, and in his own country, or bed, for Fascism died in Italy. That death was accompanied by great pain as evidenced in the continuation of conflict in that unfortunate land. . . . Mussolini, the head which has disappeared, did die in great pain according to the manner of his violent death in Milan. Thus, Esdras' prediction was verified by the way in which Mussolini and Fascism came to their end." (*Documentary Studies*, Vol. I, pp. 168-170.)*

After the death of Fascism, the head on the right, Communism, did devour the head on the left, Nazism, the allied forces holding back until the Communists took Berlin and destroyed Hitler's Germany. The remaining head, Communism, is now preparing to plunge the world into a war and will fall by the sword, as fully described in the 38th and 39th chapters of Ezekiel.

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Three Unclean Spirits

The above conclusions are confirmed in the identification of the three unclean spirits of Chapter 16 of Revelation. They are Fascism, Nazism and Communism and they have succeeded in doing exactly what John was told they would accomplish, *i.e.*, gathering the kings of the earth and of the whole world for the Battle of That Great Day of God Almighty. The final head of Esdras' eagle, who is the remaining unclean spirit of Revelation — Communism — is marshalling the forces which have been gathered for conflict under the activities of the three-headed eagle for the inevitable battle of That Great Day.

The article's author declares that the Communists are going to destroy the United States by the sword. In making such a statement he completely overlooks the fact that Ezekiel's 38th chapter tells us that when Soviet Russia moves out of the north parts "the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof," will oppose her. Therefore, not the United States alone but Great Britain and her colonies are all involved. By what reason and logic, in the light of Ezekiel's statement, does the author indicate that only the United States is concerned in this conflict against the evil men in the Kremlin?

The Olive Branch

In referring to the birthright Kingdom, Hosea the Prophet states: "His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree" (Hosea 14: 6). It is the olive branch of Joseph that is a part of the heraldry of the United States, the great people. Thirteen is associated with the United States as the number of Manasseh, for Manasseh was the thirteenth tribe. When Jacob blessed the two sons of Joseph, giving the birthright to Ephraim, Ephraim inherited his father's estate. This is clearly borne out in the listing of the tribes in the Scriptures. When Joseph is mentioned, Ephraim's name is absent. When Ephraim is mentioned, the name of Joseph is absent. But Manasseh is always named as numbered among the tribes, giving this tribe the position of thirteen in the tribal numbering.

Not one of the nations represented by the evil eagle of Esdras has acknowledged Divine help as the great people of the United States have done. We, as a people, have affirmed that "God has prospered our undertakings" and engraved on our coins is another motto: "In God We Trust." Surely the United States of America is not aggressive or the oppressor of defenseless people as stated in regard to the evil eagle of Esdras.

Representative Government

The statement is made by the author that the spirit of the Roman Empire flourishes in the United States because "many an American institution is, indeed, built upon the Roman principles, not least being the American Senate with their odd Roman-Greek mixture of governmental institutions." Then, pointing to the recent election of a Roman Catholic as President of the United States, the ridiculously farfetched deduc-

tion is drawn that this definitely proves we are associated with Esdras' evil eagle as one of its heads.

In the article, "The American Form of Government," originally published in *DESTINY* for December 1943,* it was shown that our Founding Fathers established a Republic, not a democracy patterned after the Roman form of government. It was further stated in that article:

"The type of government which God gave to Israel at Mount Sinai was a representative form of government, with men picked to administer the affairs of the nation. These men were chosen in accord with the following rule:

"'Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens: And let them judge the people at all seasons.' (Ex. 18: 21-22.)

"These representatives administered the affairs of the nation, judging the people and deciding issues in accord with the requirements of the law.

"Our forefathers modeled the Constitution after this perfect Israel system and while it may be contended they did so unknowingly, yet they were certainly guided by the Spirit of the God of Israel and thus a Constitution was written which would bring justice and equity to all. But though we patterned our Constitution in accord with the perfect Israel system of administration, we failed to make mandatory the administration of the laws given to Israel at the time God organized the world's first great republic when He established His Kingdom at Mount Sinai. Because of this failure, there was left in the hands of the people of the United States the power to enact legislation that could destroy the Republic. Wrecking crews have been busy during the past years and never have they been so active as at the present time. They are moving against the type and form of government our fathers established in this land. The results are in evidence in the failure of what was once the most successful form of government in centuries with an administration operating for the benefit of all the people."

Fallacious Argument

The assumption that, because one body of our representative form of government is called a Senate, and Rome had a Senate, our American institutions must therefore be fashioned according to a Roman pattern, leads to other equally absurd conclusions when studying history if this same type of reasoning is applied.

Mary Tudor came to the throne in England in the 16th century. She was a Roman Catholic. Philip II of Spain became her husband and he was the most bigoted prince in Christendom. A reign marked by persecutions began and many in England suffered martyrdom. Is it reasonable to draw the conclusion that England became a part of the Papal Empire as the result of all this?

Let us go a step further. Today we are observing a definite move toward Rome in the British Commonwealth. The head of the English Church, for the first time in 300 years, paid a so-called goodwill visit to the Pope. Other British dignitaries, including the Queen Mother, have also visited the Vatican. It is re-

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ported that Queen Elizabeth II is also to go to Rome. Would we be warranted in stating that Mary Tudor's ascension to the throne identified England with the "revived Roman Empire" and that this deduction is now confirmed by the recent visits to Rome and the trend to bring about closer and more cordial relations with the Papacy? Of course not. But if we were to give assent to the kind of reasoning the author of the spurious attack upon the United States uses in his endeavor to destroy our Israelitish heritage, such a conclusion would be acceptable.

Testimony of Great Pyramid

In his introduction to "The Great Pyramid's Prophecy Concerning the British Empire and America," the late David Davidson said:

"This work identifies the British race with the building race of the Great Pyramid's prophecy, and outlines the course of the joint destiny of the two modern branches of the race respectively in the British Empire and in the United States of America. This joint destiny — revealed by the Great Pyramid's prophecy, and confirmed in detail by Scriptural prophecy — relates to the spiritual tuition of the race by economic tribulation following a period of unprecedented material development and achievement."

Great Seal of the U. S. A.

It is historically and prophetically significant that we of the United States chose, as the design on the reverse side of our Great Seal, the unfinished pyramid awaiting the placing of the suspended capstone, having inscribed upon the first course of the unfinished pyramid the date 1776. This is the date enshrined in the Great Pyramid by its builders, defining the beginning of the American epoch when the United States would be displaced from the British Commonwealth of Nations and the foundation of the material civilization would be laid that would rely upon mass production and consumption as the basis of its economic life and trade.

It is an interesting fact that Mr. Davidson has clearly

shown that not only is the date 1776 defined there, but also hidden in retrospective datings of the Great Pyramid passage system are other important dates in the history of the United States of America.

Confirmed by Timing

Further evidence is today coming to the forefront, demonstrating in detail through chronological time-periods operating in conformity with the Divine purpose in the history and activities of the United States as well as in Great Britain, that we are indeed Israel in these last days.

Peddlers of Deception

The deceptive propaganda of the authors of confusion, together with those who are joining with them in their efforts, causes concern among those who are truly interested in awakening the Israel nations to their responsibility. Nevertheless, they will not succeed in the nefarious scheme to disrupt the Divine purpose, for while their subversion is so subtle that Jesus declared, if possible, the elect would be deceived, those called, chosen and designated as *The Elect* will ultimately awaken to the full realization of the nature of these misrepresentations.

What a responsibility these peddlers of deception have assumed! Although unable to deceive *The Elect*, they will unfortunately succeed among those who are not well-grounded in their beliefs. Also, they will turn many away from the truth who might otherwise have been reached if these subverters had remained steadfast themselves in witnessing to the truth.

Jesus declared that everyone shall give an account for every idle word spoken. What will the accounting be in the Day of Assize that must be rendered by those who have wrought confusion when they could have been purveyors of truth and light so that the eyes of the blind might have been opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped?

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in this world order in which we live. For instance, in spite of the patent errors of the doctrines of modernism, the whole Christian Church has all but succumbed to their diabolical influence. In Chapter 11 of Revelation it is recorded that John was shown that the satanic attack of modernism would gain a victory over the Two Witnesses, who were "slain" as the result. The fact that error often gains the victory in this present world by no means stamps it as truth!

It is also erroneous to assume that a lie can be made the subject of discussion and argument. There are, indeed, varied aspects of truth and diversified methods of approaching a subject, to analyze the meaning and application of truth, are legitimate bases for discussion. There will always be honest differences of opinion among searchers after truth as long as the individual personality endures.

But falsehood and lies are to be summarily rejected. They cannot be discussed; rather, they must be exposed for what they are since they originate with the father of lies — the devil.

The subtlety with which the editor of *The National Message* proposes to shore up the position the author of the article on the "death of the eagle" has taken would do credit to the devil's advocate. Objections will be published, but the fly in the ointment is that the author is to review those objections before they are published. With such advance information, he will have the opportunity to publish his answer in the same issue in which the objector's article appears. This unfair and entirely biased method is not surprising in view of the statement of the editor of *The National Message* that he believes the conclusions of the author of "The Death of the Eagle" to be well founded.

Unless resolute action is taken immediately to completely suppress this spirit of dissension working within, a rift will be caused that it will be impossible to heal. It seems to us that it is not only "The Death of the Eagle" that is involved here, but the life and continued existence of *The National Message* as well.

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portance that the form of government plays in the welfare and progress of a people.

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To my mind the most important event that has occurred since creation was the coming of Jesus Christ, for He came to establish the *standard* of right living for all mankind. The next most important event was the founding of this republic under the Constitution, because it provided for the *standard* form of government.

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This is an outstanding example of the manner in which a lack of knowledge of Scriptural prophecy can cause a man of brilliant intelligence to become to all intents and purposes intellectually blind. Geographically, Britain is *not* linked to Europe. Indeed, it is the very fact that Britain is and always has been an Island which constitutes a factor of incomparable value in determining the unique nature of our national greatness.

Certainly, it is paradoxical in the extreme that such subtle and determined attempts should be made to involve Britain inextricably in Europe just at the time when the calls have gone forth: "*Come out of her My People, that ye be not partakers of her plagues*" and again: "*Come, My People, enter thou into thy chambers and shut thy doors about thee. Hide thyself, as it were, for a little moment until the indignation be overpast.*"

In the Time of Divine Indignation which is coming Britain and the British Commonwealth, with the United States, as well as the other nations of the world, faced with the impact of events, will come to know that it is better to trust in God than in man; it is better to trust in God than to trust in riches; it is better to depend upon God alone than to depend on material resources.



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Credendum

AS YOU READ DESTINY it will be helpful to bear in mind as a fundamental tenet that it identifies the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic and kindred peoples as the House of Israel in the world today. The key to understanding the national aspect of the Bible lies in the acceptance of this basic truth. The ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel, or House of Israel, is distinct and separate from Jewry. In the Scriptures the terms "Israel," "Judah" and "Jew" are not synonymous and the course of history is widely divergent for the peoples properly classified under each of these titles.

The House of Israel is today an innumerable multitude apart from Jewry, a fact which the *Jewish Chronicle* for May 2, 1879 recognized by its reference to the ten tribes as represented by peoples who are not Jews. There it is stated: "The Scriptures speak of a future restoration of Israel, which is clearly to include both Judah and Ephraim [another term designating the House of Israel]. The problem, then, is reduced to its simplest form. The ten tribes are certainly in existence. All that has to be done is to discover which people represent them."

The information published in DESTINY provides the evidence showing that Israel left Palestine while the Jews remained. The movements of the Israel clans are traced out of the East, across Europe to their new settlement in the Isles of Britain, and then on to America. The prophets foretold Israel's westward trek and the monuments and traditions record the Divinely-guided wanderings of this people who left "waymarks" behind them as they journeyed toward their ultimate destination. Today the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples alone bear all the marks by which the House of Israel was to be known in the latter days and they have unconsciously fulfilled in their history, and do fulfill in their present-day activities, what the Word of God declares would be accomplished by them in these latter times.

It is natural that, in the presentation of facts at first thought so startling, the immediate effect of proclaiming these new (yet not new) truths will bring opposition from some quarters where past beliefs are upset. But the evidence of racial movements throughout history, and the marks set forth by which the Israel of God was to be known in modern days, are so unmistakably clear that the failure to seriously consider the evidence will jeopardize the future welfare of the Anglo-Saxon race. For if the people of this race are the lineal descendants of the northern ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel — and they are — there has been placed upon them today a responsibility they cannot escape. The failure to awaken to the knowledge of their identity and assume their responsibility as the people with whom God made His unalterable covenants, and upon whom He laid His law, will bring upon them inevitable national suffering and trouble.

Were the opponents of the identity right in their

assumptions, there would, of course, be no such responsibility; but here again it is essential that the facts be made known. This DESTINY is doing. The people themselves constitute the court of appeal and must render a decision as to whether the facts presented are correct or the objections raised are valid. It is also important to carefully consider that God Himself will pass final judgment in accordance with the verdict rendered by the people, bringing weal or woe upon the nations of Israel in days to come as the inevitable consequence of the course chosen and pursued.

Let those who are opposed to proclaiming the identity ponder well the fact that they, too, have a tremendous personal responsibility. When it is universally recognized that the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples are modern Israel, opponents of this truth who have succeeded in leading many astray, and hindered to that extent the national awakening and return to God in wholehearted acknowledgment of His sovereignty and obedience to His laws, will discover that He will not hold them guiltless.

God is not a man that He should lie and He gave His promise that Israel (He did not say Judah) would never cease to be a nation before Him. He gave the continuity of the heavenly signs as a guarantee of this (Jer. 31: 35-36). The *Jewish Chronicle* says, "Find this people" and DESTINY points to the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples in whose history the prophecies of the Scriptures pertaining to the House of Israel are all being fulfilled today.

Sometimes the objection is raised that, because we stress the Gospel of the Kingdom, we have failed to recognize the part personal salvation plays in the redemptive plans of God. While DESTINY Magazine does give specific attention to the Kingdom evangel, this is by no means an indication that the Gospel of Salvation is relegated to a lesser position.

Of paramount importance to every individual is the necessity to become reconciled with God through His Son Jesus Christ. This is requisite to citizenship in the Kingdom of God and DESTINY presents the vital spiritual needs of every individual who strives to become an overcomer and attain the victor's crown. That phase of the Gospel message is as essential to the individual as the Gospel of the Kingdom is to the nation, which proclaims the identity and responsibility of the nations of Israel today and the necessity for the restoration of the administration of the Law of the Lord as the law of the land.

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TESTIMONY IN STONE

By J. Bernard Nicklin

The series of articles which have appeared in DESTINY for more than a year under the above title are now going back on the press to be published as a book. Many have expressed a desire for *Testimony in Stone* as a book, so here is your opportunity to secure this valuable work that will increase in importance as coming events reveal the accuracy of the revelation of the Divine purpose as it is portrayed in the Great Pyramid.

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Here is evidence that the utterances of the prophets in the Bible, the information supplied by chronological time-periods and the time factors built into the Great Pyramid are all interrelated. Each corroborates the other and they all depend upon one another so that to ignore any one of the three is to fall short of having all that is needed to possess complete understanding of the "times and seasons" in this generation.

Not only has the author thoroughly substantiated the importance and accuracy of Mr. Davidson's findings, but he has brought the reader up to date in regard to the chronological significance of the largest room in the Great Pyramid — the King's Chamber.

Testimony in Stone is a major fulfillment of the prophetic exhortation: "Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it." A monumental service has been rendered by Mr. Nicklin in this contribution to factual Great Pyramid literature. It should once and for all silence those who have criticized past claims that the Great Pyramid is indeed the Great Witness to Divine revelation for our time. A careful study of this book will bring its own reward and richly repay the reader, while at the same time it will also alert the wise who understand concerning the necessity to heed our Lord's admonition — *Watch!*

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